

CITY OF MUSKEGON  
MUSKEGON HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS  
MEETING MINUTES  
12/7/06  
5:30PM

ATTENDANCE: Randy Mackie, Jon Rolewicz, Greg Borgman, Kirk Kolberg(late),  
Ed Simmons, Chris Carter(late), Nick Kroes

ABSENT:

EXCUSED:

STAFF: Mark Kincaid, Henry Faltinowski, Jim Hoppus, Carmen Smith,  
Scott Vanderwier, Community Officer

GUESTS: George Washington(273 Sumner), Rosemary Harris (1660  
Dyson)

Meeting minutes: A motion was made by Randy Mackie and seconded by Jon  
Rolewicz to approve the November 2006 minutes.

A roll call vote was taken:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYES:</u>	<u>EXCUSED:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTENTION:</u>
Greg Borgman				
Randy Mackie				
Jon Rolewicz				
Nick Kroes				
		Chris Carter		
Ed Simmons		Kirk Kolberg		

Motion carried.

**EN-060429- 1767 Pine St. – Jeffery Honeman, 352 N. Elm, Sparta, MI 49345**  
**Removed from Agenda – Owner contact and permit issued.**

**DANGEREROUS BUILDING NEW CASES:**

**EN-060393- 1660 Dyson St. (Garage Only) – Rosemary Harris, 1660 Dyson, Muskegon, MI 49442**

Rosemary Harris was present to represent case.

Ms Harris stated she doesn't feel the structure is in danger of collapse. She said the damage was due to tree falling. Greg Borgman stated that notices were sent on 09/19/06 certified mail and no permits have been issued and no contact was made with Inspections. Ms Harris admitted to letting some things go and would like until summer of 2007 to complete repairs. Ed Simmons asked about cost. Ms Harris said she has to get a loan to make repairs but uses structure primarily for storage. Mark Kincaid said this time of year would prohibit work. Henry Faltinowski said the structure isn't in immediate danger of collapse but if left it will continue to deteriorate.

Staff Recommendation: Table case until June 2007.

Motion made by Jon Rolewicz and seconded by Nick Kroes to accept staff recommendation.

A roll call vote was taken:

**AYES:**

Greg Borgman  
Randy Mackie  
Jon Rolewicz  
Nick Kroes

**NAYES:**

**EXCUSED:**

**ABSENT:**

Chris Carter

Ed Simmons  
Kirk Kolberg

Motion carried.

**EN-060431-273 Sumner Ave. – James Kitchen, 1445 Hillcrest Dr., Muskegon, MI 49442**

George Washington, son to previous owner was present to represent case.

Mr. Washington said the house was his family house and his sister sold the house while he was out of the country. He stated he wants to get the house back because he didn't sign off on deed to house and is trying to find out what's going on with the home at this time. Greg Borgman asked if an interior inspection had been done. Mark Kincaid said that it was in need of one. Mark Kincaid said what's needed is to find out from Mr. Washington how long the legal proceedings will take for him to get the house back. Mr. Washington said the house was sold in June 2006 while he was out of country and he said he has begun legal proceedings and has been in contact with attorney. Greg Borgman said by looking at pictures it's going to need a lot of work. Mark Kincaid said house is blight on the neighborhood. Ed Simmons asked if Mr. Washington if he knows Mr. Kitchen or had any contact with him. Mr. Washington said he found out about the house by walking by it and saw the notice and tried contacting Mr. Kitchen but can't catch up with him. Mr. Washington said his sister got power-of-attorney and put his mother in a nursing home and he was out of country when the sale took place. Greg Borgman said Jackson neighborhood has taken pride in the neighborhood.

Staff Recommendation: Declare the building substandard, a public nuisance, and dangerous building.

Motion made by Randy Mackie and seconded by Nick Kroes to accept staff recommendation.

A roll call vote was taken:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYES:</u>	<u>EXCUSED:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTENTION</u>
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Greg Borgman  
Randy Mackie  
Jon Rolewicz  
Nick Kroes

Chris Carter

Ed Simmons  
Kirk Kolberg

Motion carried.

**DANGEROUS BUILDING REVIEW CASE:**

**EN-060390- 369 Isabella – DLJ Mortgage Capital Inc, P.O. Box 65250, Salt Lake City, UT 84165-0250**

**DANGEROUS BUILDING NEW CASES:**

**EN-060420 – 460 HOUSTON – Katherine Earnest, 2375 Fenner Rd, Muskegon, MI 49445**

**EN-060434-536 OAK AVE (GARAGE) – Lillie Brewer, 2309 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Muskegon, MI 49444**

No one was present to represent the above cases.

Staff Recommendation: Declare the buildings substandard, a public nuisance, and dangerous building.

Motion made by Randy Mackie and seconded by Ed Simmons to accept staff recommendation.

A roll call vote was taken:

AYES:                      NAYES:                      EXCUSED:                      ABSENT:                      ABSTENTION

Greg Borgman  
Randy Mackie  
Jon Rolewicz  
Nick Kroes  
Chris Carter  
Ed Simmons  
Kirk Kolberg

Motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Chris Carter asked about status on 790 Terrace. Mark Kincaid said we do have engineering drawings that have been approved from the architect but no permits have been issued yet. Henry Faltinowski said we are just waiting for contractor to pickup permits. Chris Carter asked how long have we been waiting. Mark Kincaid said it's been about three weeks and if we don't hear anything by January it will be back before the board.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Greg Borgman asked about 487 W. Clay. Mark Kincaid reported the case is still under review by various departments and staff and will be coming back before commission soon. Chris Carter reviewed discussion of case when it was brought before the commission at the last work session.

**ADJOURNMENT:                      6:03 PM**

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